THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FIFTH SESSION OF THE FIRST LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL UNDER THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ACT, 1935.

Friday, the 24th May 1946.

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

The House met in the Council Chamber, Fort St. George, at eleven of the clock, the Deputy President (SRI K. VENKATASWAMI NAYUDU) in the Chair.

MR. DEPUTY PRESIDENT :—" We have met here after seven years. During these years various important events have happened. Everything was thrown pell-mell in the world and, if some of us have emerged out of this, it is purely providential. Though the war has ended, the gloom is still there. The evil effects of war and famine have not left us. The food famine is staring in our face. We have come back to our post of duty. May we raise our hands of prayer to the Almighty in thankfulness and pray that it may be given to us to conduct our affairs in the best manner possible yielding greatest good to our countrymen. With these few words I welcome you to this august Council.

" First of all, members who have not taken their oath already have to be sworn in and then we have to make a reference to our honoured colleagues who have left us in the interim period.

" After the reference is over, the Council will be adjourned till to-morrow (25th May 1946)."

I.—SWEARING IN OF MEMBERS.

The following members were sworn in :—

Dr. U. Rama Rau.
Abdul Lateef Farooki Sahib Bahadur.
K. T. M. Ahmad Ibrahim Sahib Bahadur.
Mr. K. O. Antony.
Mrs. M. N. Clubwalla, M.B.E.
Sri A. Gopalakrishnayya.
,, A. Govindacharyulu.
Khan Bahadur Hamid Sultan Marakkayar Sahib Bahadur.
Mrs. M. Hensman.
Lt.-Col. K. R. K. Iyengar.
Sri H. M. Jagannathan.
,, S. Jayarama Reddiyar.
Dr. V. K. John.
Sri Rao Bahadur D. Krishnamurthi.
Dr. Sir A. Lakshmanaswami Mudaliyar.
Sri M. Nagappa Chettiyar.
,, M. Narayana Menon.
,, M. Narayana Rao.
,, K. Natarajan.
Mr. A. R. L. Pathy.
Dr. T. S. S. Rajan.
Sri T. Purushotham.
Sri A. K. A. Ramachandra Reddiyar.
,, N. Ramabhadraraju.
,, R. B. Ramakrishna Rajulungaru.
,, R. Ramakrishna Nayudu.
,, N. Ranga Reddi.
Mr. J. L. P. Roche Victoria.
Sri N. Sankara Reddi.
,, P. R. K. Sarma.
,, S. K. Satagopa Mudaliyar.
Janab S. K. Sheik Rowther Sahib Bahadur.
Janab S. M. Abdul Huq Sahib Bahadur.
Sri M. Sudarsanam.
,, R. Suryanarayana Rao.
Khan Bahadur Syed Tajuddin Sahib Bahadur.
Mr. R. W. Theobald.
Janab K. Uppi Sahib Bahadur.
Sri C. Veerabhadra Rao.
,, P. Veerabhadraswami.
,, B. Veeraswami.
,, G. Venkata Reddi.

II.—DEATH OF MEMBERS.

MR. DEPUTY PRESIDENT :—" Now it is my painful duty to make a reference to the deceased Members of the House. I regret to have to inform the House of the deaths of the following